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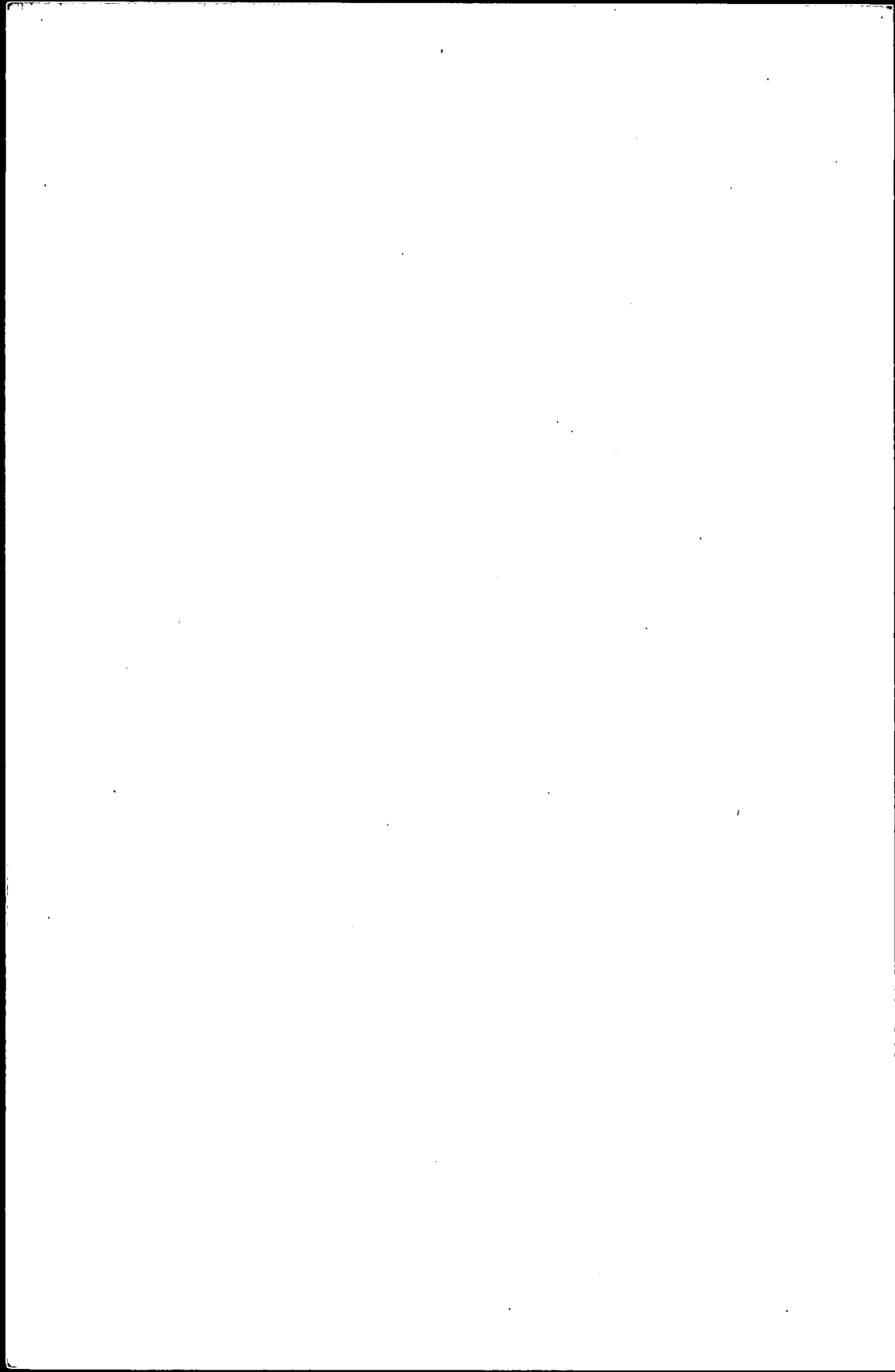
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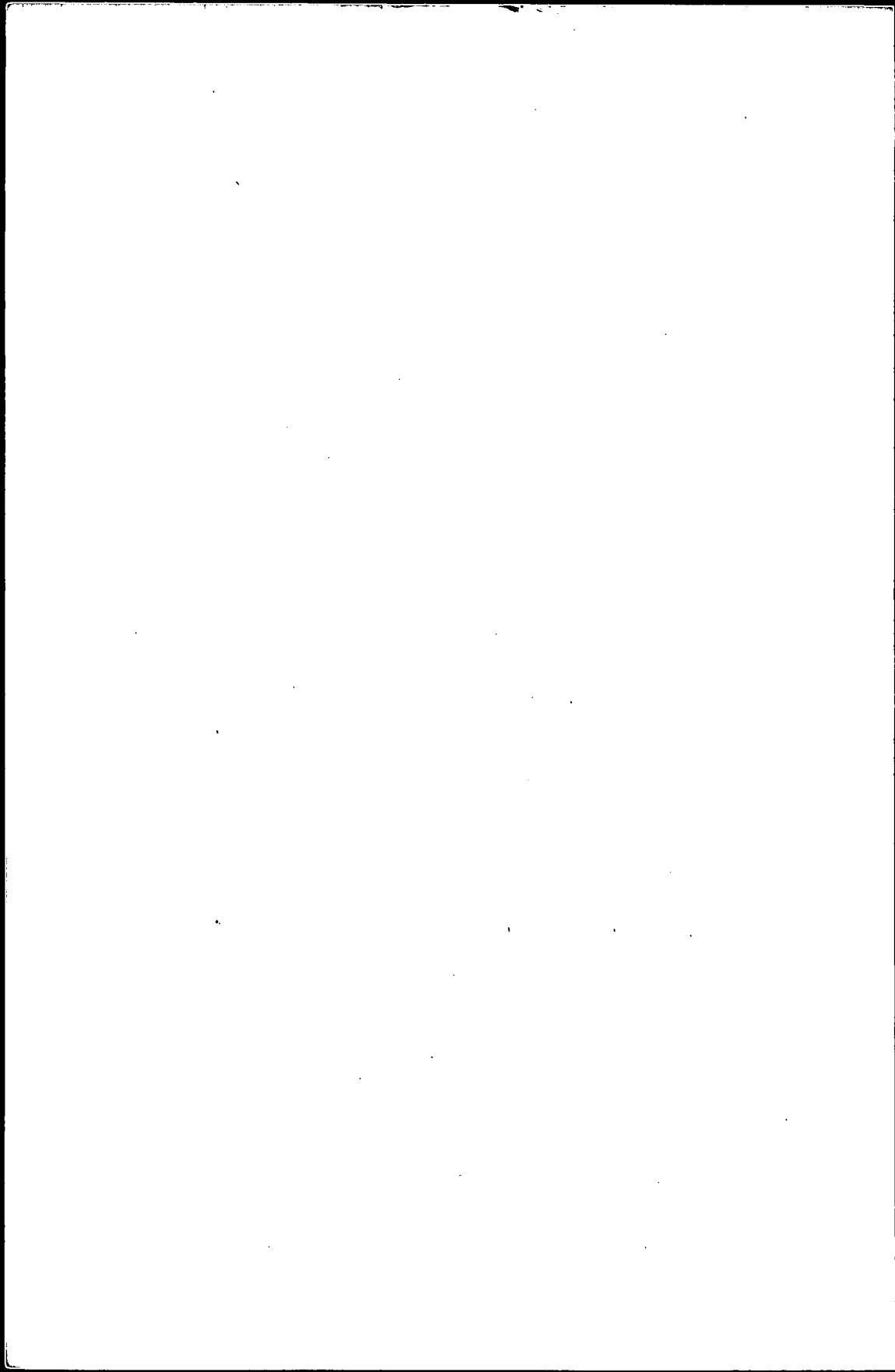
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LIBRARY HOURS

The State Library is open daily, except Sundays and Legal Holidays, from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M., and during sessions of the Court of Appeals, from 9 A.M. until 4 P.M., and 8 P.M. to 10 P.M. On Saturdays from 9 A.M. to 12 M. During the months of June, July, August, and September from 9 A.M. until 2 P.M.



Report of the State Librarian

To the Committee of the Maryland State Library:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit herewith the Biennial Report of the Librarian of the Maryland State Library covering the period between the last day of December, 1926, and the last day of December, 1928.

ACCESSIONS

During the period named, 3,483 volumes and 819 pamphlets were received and added to the Library as follows:

From the United States Government.....	546
From the States, in exchange.....	2,516
By purchase and gift (this does not include those purchased by the Librarian or those listed below as "Gifts")	421
Total	3,483

Very few of the pamphlets received from the United States Government are enumerated on the above accession list, as they are arranged in their proper classes and subsequently bound in book form, then catalogued and placed upon the shelves.

VOLUMES DISTRIBUTED

Maryland Reports, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153.....	845
Chancery Reports	2
Maryland Reports, Perkins Edition.....	162
Maryland Reports, odd volumes.....	62
Laws of Maryland, 1927.....	1,250
Laws of Maryland, other years.....	68
Debates of the Constitutional Convention, 1867, Perlman.....	31
Maryland Senate Journal, 1927.....	221
Maryland House Journal, 1927.....	228
Maryland Budget, 1927.....	36
Maryland Documents, 1918-1920.....	17
Maryland Manuals, 1927 and 1928.....	197
Maryland Calendar of Wills, 2 sets, 8 volumes.....	16
Annotated Code of Maryland, 1924 Ed., 2 volumes, 36 sets.....	72
Annotated Code of Maryland, old edition, 4 volumes, 5 sets	20
Side Lights of Maryland, 2 volumes, 5 sets.....	10
Poe's Code, 1904.....	11
Carter's Supplement to Brantly's Digest, volumes 1-2....	80

Tiffany's Poe's Pleading and Practice, volumes 1-2-----	76
Alexander's British Statutes, volumes 1-2-----	8
Maryland Code for Justices of the Peace, 1892-----	29
Maryland and Its Resources-----	3
Maryland Constitution of 1867-----	84
Brantly's Digest, volumes 1-2-----	6
Digest of Maryland Reports, Stockett, Merick and Miller	1
Digest of Maryland Reports, Cohen and Lee-----	1
Digest of Maryland Reports, Dorsey-----	1
Digest of Maryland Reports, Bergwyn-----	1
Index to Maryland Decisions, Ringgold-----	1
Digested Cases of Maryland Statutes, Mayer-----	1
Total -----	3,541

GIFTS

Woman Suffrage and Politics, C. C. Catt and N. R. Shuler, authors.

Road Builders Catalogue, Directory, Washington, D. C.

Forestry Almanac, Semicentennial edition, American Tree Association.

Economic and Social History of the World War, by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Early Days of the Presbyterian Hospital, N. Y., Delavan D. Bryson.

Prohibition at its Worst, Revised edition, Fisher Irving.

Public Utilities in Modern Life, Samuel Insull.

History of the Redemptorists at Annapolis, Md., author, A Redemptorist Father.

An American Battery in France, E. E. La Branche, author.

The Law and Procedure of International Tribunals, J. H. Ralston, presented by the Stanford University.

The Basic Facts of Economics, Louis F. Post, author.

The Making of a University, J. L. Rosenberger.

The Ancestors of Arthur O. Dillon and His Poems, A. O. Dillon.

The Famine in Soviet Russia, H. H. Fisher.

Walter Henry Sanborn, A Testimonial volume, presented by the Bar Association of St. Louis, Mo.

Birds of Massachusetts and Other New England States, volume 2, Edward H. Firbusch, gift from Massachusetts.

Early Medicine in Maryland, Thomas S. Cullen, M. D., author.

A Memorial, Elbert H. Gary, 1846-1927, a gift.

The Rise of Non-Resident Government in Harvard University, J. E. Kirkpatrick, author.

Great Battles, Garrett Baxter, author.

Biography of Gustavus Franklin Swift, Swift and Co.

Roster, Vermont in the World War, presented by Vermont.

Catalogue of the Centenary Exhibition of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R., 1927, presented by B. & O. R. R.

Descendants of Richard and Elizabeth Talbot, Ida M. M. Shirk, gift of family.

The Moffat Tunnel of Colorado, Edgar C. McMechen, presented by the Tunnel Commission.

The Mission of American and Other War-time Speeches, Edgar A. Bancroft, author.

A Galaxy of Southern Heroes and Selected Poems, Orion T. Dozier, presented by the family.

Historical Sketch, 1903-1928, with Prologue of Nursing History in Maryland prior to 1903, by Helen C. Bartlett (pamphlet), gift by author.

A Monagonal Temple in the Indian Style of Architecture, C. M. Remey, presented by author.

American Homeopathy in the World War, Frank M. Dearborn, by author.

Alexander Hugh Holmes Stewart, 1807-1891, Alexander F. Robertson, presented by author.

Woodrow Wilson, Life and Letters, Youth, 1856-1890.

Woodrow Wilson, Life and Letters, Princeton, 1890-1910, by Ray Stannard Baker, presented by author.

Standard Legal Directory, presented by publisher.

National Reporter Blue Book, 1928, presented by West Publishing Co.

The Court of Appeals of Maryland, A History, Carroll T. Bond, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals of Maryland, presented by the author.

LIST OF BOOKS PURCHASED BY THE LIBRARIAN
FROM DECEMBER 31, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31, 1928.

Terra Mariae or Threads of Maryland Colonial History,
by Edward D. Neill.

Maryland, The Land of Sanctuary, by W. T. Russell.

Maryland Records, Colonial, Revolutionary, County, Church,
volumes 1-2, C. M. Brumbaugh.

Maryland Toleration or Sketches of the Early History of
Maryland, to the Year 1650, by Rev. Ethan Allen.

The Story of Virginia's First Century, by Mary Newton
Stanard.

A Character of the Province of Maryland, George Aslop.

Correspondence of "First Citizen" and "Antilon," by E.
S. Riley.

History of Maryland, Matthew Page Andrews.

The Catholic Encyclopedia and Supplement, 15 volumes and
Index.

The Life of Thomas E. Watson, Wm. W. Brewton.

Maryland Original Research Bulletins, Nos. 1-3, 1906-1913.

The Border States, John P. Kennedy, pamphlet.

Lincoln Library of Essential Information.

The New International Year Book, 1926-1927, Herbert
Treadwell Wade.

The following list of books, purchased by the Librarian
from January 1, 1924, to December 31, 1926, was omitted
from the last report, and as it is thought this list may prove
of interest to the readers of the 1929 report it is published
herewith:

Sketches of the History of Maryland During the First Three
Years After Its Settlement, by John Leeds Bozman, 1811.

Shadows on the Wall or Glimpses of the Past, by John H.
Hewitt.

The Founders of Maryland, as portrayed in Manuscript.
Provincial records and early documents, by Rev. Edward D.
Neill.

Sketches of the Early History of Maryland, by Thomas W.
Griffith.

In Memoriam. Sometime U. S. District Judge for the Dis-
trict of Maryland, Thomas J. Morris, 1837-1912.

Annals of Maryland, by Thomas W. Griffith.

Cram's International Atlas.

Historic Graves of Maryland and the District of Columbia, by Helen W. Ridgely.

Recollections of a Long Life on the Eastern Shore, by Joseph and Mary W. Seth.

Fairbairn's Book of Crests of the Families of Great Britain and Ireland. Revised and brought down to the present date, by A. C. Fox-Davis, 2 volumes.

The Story of Philosophy, by Will Durant.

Monnet Family Genealogy, by Orra Eugene Monnette, compiler.

Who's Who in America, volume 14, 1926-27, by Albert N. Marquis.

The New International Year Book, 1924-1925, Herbert Treadwell Wade.

Jefferson and Hamilton. The Struggle for Democracy in America, by Claude G. Bowers.

Collections, etc., in regard to Churches of Maryland, etc., by Rev. Thos. Bray.

Marriage Licenses of Talbot County, Md., 1796-1810, by Mary Addison Page Stile and Others.

Revised History of Dorchester County, Md., by Elias Jones.

Annapolis. Its Colonial and Naval History, by Walter R. Norris.

History of Allegany County, Md.; by Jas. W. Thomas and T. J. C. Williams, 2 volumes.

Johnson and Boswell, Tour to the Hebrides.

Men of Maryland Since the Civil War, by Paul Winchester.

Seven pamphlets, Speeches of Reverdy Johnson.

Four Pamphlets, Speeches, etc. of Severn Teakle Wallis.

Modern Gratitude in five numbers, by Luther Martin, addressed to R. R. Keene.

The United States Catholic Magazine, 1843-1849, bound in 1928.

BIOGRAPHIES

The Wright Ancestry of Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, and Wicomico Counties, Md., by Capt. Charles W. Wright.

Thomas Family of Talbot County and Allied Families, by Richard Henry Spencer.

Life of Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore, 2 volumes, by Allen Sinclair Will.

Life and Letters of Walter Hines Page, containing letters to Woodrow Wilson, by Burton J. Hendrick.

Life of Sir William Osler, by Harvey Cushing, 2 volumes.
 John Keats, with illustrations, by Amy Lowell, 2 volumes.
 John Randolph of Roanoke, by Wm. Cabell Bruce, 2 volumes.
 Charles J. Bonaparte, His Life and Public Services, by
 Joseph B. Bishop.
 Poe—Man, Poet, and Creative Thinker, by Sherwin Cody.

MAGAZINES

During the period just ended, the Library has subscribed to the following magazines. These are bound in volumes, catalogued and placed on the shelves for permanent use:

Atlantic Monthly	Maryland Historical Magazine
Asia	National Geographic
American Magazine of Art	North American Review
The Bookman	New York Public Library
Century	Review of Reviews
Foreign Affairs	Scientific Monthly
Harper's Magazine	Scribner's Magazine
Library Journal	Scientific American
Literary Digest	Time
Libraries	

SALE OF LAWS

The sum of \$391.76 has been turned over to the State Treasurer from the sale of Maryland Reports and Session Laws.

NEW STACKS IN WEST ROOMS

The new stacks, filling completely the top galleries in the West rooms, were completed a year ago and are now rapidly being filled with files of rare and current periodicals, and with our permanent stock of Laws, Journals, Documents, etc., of the several states. This entailed considerable work, but resulted in a more convenient arrangement for the better accommodation and greater facility in the use and handling of the books.

The Custodian of Works of Reference—Miss Frances B. Wells—is in charge of the miscellaneous volumes, including works of reference, historical works, standard fiction, and periodicals. The Reference Department is one of the most interesting in the Library, containing many rare old books

which are of great interest to students and antiquarians. Among the most consulted are the "Maryland Gazette," the first publication of its kind published in Maryland, covering the period from 1745-1839 in complete form, an interesting and history-making era in our State, as in its files can be found all the data pertaining to the Revolutionary War, as well as the later War of 1812. The Gazette was published in Annapolis.

The death of our beloved Mr. Edward G. Kenly, who for almost a quarter of a century held the position of Cataloguer and Indexer, removes from our circle a highly valued public servant, whose influence was unusually beneficial wherever it extended. It will require time and much effort for those concerned to adjust themselves to this condition. A successor to Mr. Kenly has not yet been appointed.

Mrs. Alice Tate Williams, owing to ill health, resigned in May of 1927, after having served for more than twenty years.

Before concluding this report, I wish to express to your Honorable Body my thanks and appreciation for your co-operation and assistance during the years just past, and also to commend to you the Staff who have carried along their assigned duties with ability and spirit.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. SHEARN,
State Librarian.

